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## Moran Reappointed as Per Diem Judge in Third Judicial Circuit

Chief Justice Ronald T. Y. Moon reappointed John P. Moran as per diem judge of the District Court of the Third Judicial Circuit (island of Hawai`i) to serve a four-year term, effective October 2002 to October 2006. Moon further designated Moran to act as district family judge of the District Family Court of the Third Judicial Circuit to hear family court matters.

Moran was first appointed to serve a two-year term as a per diem judge in October 2000. He is currently a sole practitioner in private practice in Hilo, emphasizing civil litigation, personal injury, and family law. Previously, he was with the law firm of Case & Lynch in Hilo.

Prior to moving to Hawai`i in 1994, Moran was a sole practitioner in private practice in Phoenix, Arizona. His previous positions in Phoenix also include serving as a law clerk to Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice Ernest McFarland; as a deputy prosecutor in the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, Maricopa County; and in the Office of the United States Attorney.

Moran, who served on active duty from 1959 to 1961, retired from the U.S. Army Reserve in the rank of colonel. He received his bachelor of arts degree in political science from the University of Notre Dame (Class of 1959) and his law degree in 1964 from the Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.

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